**Cost of Generation of Power by NIPC**

7120. SHRI RAMA KRISHAN KONTHALA: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the average cost of genration per KW through thermal, hydel, gas, and Nulear based power plants in the country;

(b) whether the average cost of generation per KW generated by the NIPC in higher than that of Andhra Pradesh State Thermal Plants; and

(c) if so, the details and the action taken to reduce overheads expenditure of the NIPC?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Telephone to Pancha yats in Himachal Pradesh**

7121. SHRI D.D. KHANORLA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICAT IONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to give priority to Himachal Pradesh for implement the policy Telephone for all panchauyat's ' and

(b) if so, when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU); (a) and (b). The Govt, have planned to provide telephone facility to all Panchayat village including those of Himachal Pradesh on priority by 31st March 1995 subject to technical feasibility and avilability of resources.

[*Translation*]

**Supply of Iron ore to Bhilai Steel Plant**

7122. SHRI RAM BADAN: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether production target of the Bhilai Steel Plant has been affected due to scarcity of the iron ore and non- Approaching of railway track up to Bailadila mines; and

(b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken to supply requisite quantity of iron ore to the said plant?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONT. OSH MOHAN DEV) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[*English*]

**Electrification of Villages in Tamil Nadu**

7123. SHRI K. THULASIAH VANDAYAR: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of villages electrified in Tanjore District of Tamil Nadu during the Seventh Five Year Plan period;

(b) the number of villages yet to be electified;

(c) the time by which the remaining villages are likely to be electrified; and

(d) the amount allocated for power sector in the Eighth Five Year Plan for Tamil Nadu?